

House Bill 762 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Crawford of the 127th and Sellier of the 136th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To authorize Upson County to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX,
2 Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A.,
3 the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide
4 effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Upson County shall be and is authorized to exercise all redevelopment and other powers
9 under Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as
10 amended. The intention of this Act is to authorize Upson County to undertake and carry out
11 community redevelopment, to create tax allocation districts, to issue tax allocation bonds,
12 and to incur other obligations within the meaning of and as fully permitted under the
13 provisions of Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution of the State of
14 Georgia of 1983, as amended, and to authorize Upson County to exercise redevelopment
15 powers as fully as the "Redevelopment Powers Law" may now or hereafter permit and not
16 to limit any redevelopment powers permitted under the "Redevelopment Powers Law."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 Unless prohibited by the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the election
19 superintendent of Upson County shall call and conduct an election as provided in this section
20 for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of Upson County for approval or
21 rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct that election on a practicable date in
22 2007 authorized under O.C.G.A. Section 21-2-540 and shall issue the call and conduct that
23 election as provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the date and
24 purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding

the date thereof in the official organ of Upson County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"() YES Shall the Act be approved which authorizes Upson County to exercise redevelopment powers under the 'Redevelopment Powers Law,' as it may () NO be amended from time to time?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the Act, then Section 1 of this Act shall become of full force and effect immediately. If Section 1 of this Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective and this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following that election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by Upson County. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3.

Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 4.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.